

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
LOK SABHA**

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Development of Spices

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that development of spices including (Ginger and Turmeric) is a major component under the National Horticulture Mission (NHM) implemented in various States of the country including Odisha, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether it is true that the cost of cultivation of Ginger and Turmeric is about Rs. 30000/- per hectare and out of which 40% subsidy is provided to the farmer to take-up the programme which is very low;

(c) if so, whether the Government is considering to increase the assistance/subsidy under spices development programme taken up in National Horticulture Mission, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

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(a): Under the National Horticulture Mission (NHM), various programmes such as area expansion, establishment of nurseries, promotion of integrated nutrient management and integrated pest management, organic farming, creation of water resources, post harvest management, development of market yards, human resource development etc. are implemented for the holistic development of horticulture crops including spices like ginger and turmeric. The NHM programmes are implemented in 18 States including Odisha and Horticulture Mission for North Eastern and Himalayan States (HMNEH) in 11 North East and Himalayan States

(b) to (d): The cost of cultivation of ginger and turmeric varies from State to State. The cost norms of NHM are fixed based on the cost of cultivation of that particular crop taking into account of all input costs. As the cost norms were revised in the year 2014 under NHM, there is no proposal to increase the rate of input grant at present.
